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PATENT

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Applicant: Boris Tsipline
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Microstrip Coupler Device and RFID
Systems Using Device
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Examiner: Dao, Minh D
Art Unit: 2682

RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION

Commissioner of Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

March 2, 2006

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action Dated January 11, 2006 applicant respectfully submits the following response.

The Examiner applied a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. 21, to a sub-group the Examiner had previously presented as the distinct inventions appearing in the application claims. The further restriction of the claim grouping presented in the Examiner's previous restriction requirement is highly irregular.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider the restriction requirement. In the alternative, Applicant elects, as identified by the Examiner, newly identified Group I, Claims 15-19 for current prosecution.

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Request for Extension of Term for Reply and Authorization of Deposit Account Charge

Applicant respectfully requests an extension of the period for reply of one month from February 11, 2006 to March 11, 2006. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the 1.17(a)(1), large entity, \$120 fee for "Extension for response within first month", and any other charges applicable to deposit account number 502327, referencing docket number 3022.

Respectfully submitted,



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